



LEROY D. BACA, SHERIFF

County of Los Angeles  
Sheriff's Department Headquarters  
4700 Ramona Boulevard  
Monterey Park, California 91754-2169

*A Tradition of Service*



October 30, 2012

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**ADOPTED**

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

55      October 30, 2012

*Sachi A. Hamai*  
SACHI A. HAMAI  
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**ACCEPT A GRANT AWARD FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND  
SECURITY, FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY  
FOR THE 2012 PORT SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM  
(FOURTH DISTRICT) (3 VOTES)**

**SUBJECT**

Request Board approval authorizing the Sheriff of the Los Angeles County (County) to sign and accept a grant award in the amount of \$450,000 from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for the grant period from September 1, 2012, to August 31, 2014.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:**

1. Delegate authority to the Sheriff as an agent for the County to accept and execute the 2012 Port Security Grant Program award agreement (Grant Award) with DHS, FEMA in the amount of \$450,000 with a match of \$150,000.
2. Delegate authority to the Sheriff to execute and submit all grant documents, including but not limited to, applications, agreements, modifications, memorandums of understanding, augmentations, amendments, grant renewals, extensions, and payment requests that may be necessary for completion of the project.
3. Authorize the Internal Services Department (ISD), as the County's Purchasing Agent, to proceed with acquisition of a Forward Looking Infrared Radar (FLIR) system for aircraft use to pre-screen incoming ships into the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach. The estimated cost of the FLIR is \$300,000 (\$225,000 will be offset by grant funding and \$75,000 from the match.)

4. Delegate authority to the Sheriff as an agent for the County to apply and submit a grant application for the 2013 Port Security Grant Program when and if such future funding becomes available.

### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The objective of the Grant Award Program is to support all core capabilities in the prevention, protection, mitigation, and response and recovery from threats and hazards that pose the greatest risk to United States security. To successfully achieve this objective, the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (Department) will use the funds to purchase one FLIR system to enhance the Department's Port Security Program's capabilities by increasing ship screenings of ships coming into the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach. The funds will also be used to purchase maintenance services to maintain the operation of the Department's screening platform vessels.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

Approval of the recommended action is consistent with the County's Strategic Plan, Goal 3, Integrated Services Delivery. With the grant funds directed toward enhancing the capabilities of the Department's Port Security Program, the Department helps to support and continue to provide a safe and secure environment for the County's residents.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

This is the third year funding for the Port Security Program and this Grant Award is for a two-year period. The Fiscal Year (FY) 2012-13 funding in the amount of \$450,000 (Services and Supplies - \$225,000; Fixed Assets - \$225,000) is offset by grant funding with a match of \$150,000.

Funding for this program has been included in the Department's FY 2012-13 Patrol budget.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

On October 16, 2001, the Board adopted a policy whereby departments must obtain Board approval to purchase or finance equipment with a unit cost of \$250,000 or greater prior to submitting their requisitions to the County Purchasing Agent. As such, the Department is requesting authority for the County Purchasing Agent to proceed with the acquisition of the FLIR system at an estimated cost of \$300,000.

On August 28, 2012, FEMA sent notification advising the Department it was selected to receive the Grant Award in the amount of \$450,000 with a match of \$150,000.

This Board letter has been reviewed by County Counsel.

### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

This purchase of the FLIR system is a commodity purchase under the statutory authority of the County Purchasing Agent. The purchase will be requisitioned through and accomplished by the County's Purchasing Agent in accordance with the County's purchasing policies and procedures established by the County's ISD.

**IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

DHS, FEMA allocated funding to the County for the purpose of preventing, protecting, and prevailing against port threats. This grant funding will enhance the capabilities of the Department's "Port Security" mission and the ship screening operation of all incoming ships entering the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach. Boarding/screening teams will consist of the Department's Special Enforcement Bureau, Emergency Services Detail, Special Weapons Team, and paramedic personnel along with Arson/Explosives and Hazardous Materials Detail investigators. This project will have no other impact upon current services.

**CONCLUSION**

Upon Board approval, please return two individually certified copies of the adopted Board letter to the Department's Grants Unit.

Sincerely,



LEROY D. BACA

Sheriff

LDB:JAT:jat

Enclosures

**Los Angeles County Chief Executive Office**  
**Grant Management Statement for Grants Exceeding \$100,000**

**Department:** LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

**Grant Project Title and Description:** Fiscal Year (FY) 2012 Port Security Grant Program

This is the third funding under this program. Grant funds will be used to purchase a Forward Looking Infrared Radar (FLIR) system and a maintenance contract to enhance the capabilities of Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department port security program by allowing increased ship screenings of incoming ships to the ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach.

**Funding Agency**  
United States Department of  
Homeland Security, Federal  
Emergency Management Agency

**Program (Fed. Grant # /State Bill or Code #)**  
EMW-2012-PU-00010-S01

**Grant Acceptance Deadline**  
As soon as possible

**Total Amount of Grant Funding:** \$450,000

**County Match:** \$150,000

**Grant Period:** 24 Months

**Begin Date:** September 1, 2012

**End Date:** August 31, 2014

**Number of Personnel Hired Under This Grant:**

**Full Time:** 0 **Part Time:** 0

**Obligations Imposed on the County When the Grant Expires**

Will all personnel hired for this program be informed this is a grant-funded program? Yes n/a No   

Will all personnel hired for this program be placed on temporary ("N") items? Yes n/a No   

Is the County obligated to continue this program after the grant expires? Yes    No X

If the County is not obligated to continue this program after the grant expires, the Department will:

a). Absorb the program cost without reducing other services Yes X No   

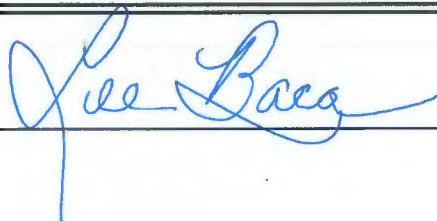
b). Identify other revenue sources Yes    No X  
(Describe) \_\_\_\_\_

c). Eliminate or reduce, as appropriate, positions/program costs funded by the grant. Yes n/a No   

**Impact of additional personnel on existing space:** N/A. Grant funds is used to purchase a fixed asset and a maintenance service.

**Other requirements not mentioned above:** None

**Department Head Signature**



**Date**

10/10/12